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Applicant thanks Examiner for his time in the telephone interview in December, 1999.

In response to the final Office Action dated September 2, 1999, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider and enter the following amendment and remarks in connection with the above-identified patent application.

In the Claims

Please add the claim as follows:

22. A method for serving remote procedure calls from an applet which executes within an applet viewer which in turn executes in a computer system that is serving said remote procedure calls, the method comprising:

receiving from the applet which executes in the same computer system that serves said remote procedure calls, a request for a document according to a document retrieval protocol implemented on a computer network; determining that the request specifies a Remote Procedure Call which is defined within a computer process executing independently of the applet and applet viewer and which includes one or more computer instructions, execution of which

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